

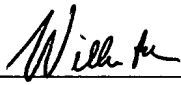
REMARKS

Please enter this preliminary amendment **before** calculating the filing fee. This preliminary amendment simply cancels claims 4-16.

After entry of this first preliminary amendment, claims 1-3 and 17 are pending. Thus, the application has four (4) claims in total, two (2) independent claims, and no multiple dependent claims.

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